

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully submits the following Response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 28, 2008. According to this Restriction Requirement, "[c]laim(s) 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 11-16, 18, 19, 21-23 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement." *Office Action Summary*. The Examiner required "[r]estriction to one of the following inventions . . . under 35 U.S.C. 121":

- I. Claims 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 18, 19 and 23 are drawn to a method of modifying properties of a lock object by, classified in class 707, subclass 8.
- II. Claims 11-16, 21, 22, drawn to a system for managing access of one or more resources, classified in class 709, subclass 223.

Office Action, 10/28/2008, at 2.

Without acquiescing to the statements made in the October 28, 2008 Restriction Requirement, the Applicant elects the claims of Group II (claims 11-16, 21, 22). The Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications or continuation applications on the claims of Group I, or claims related thereto, at a later date.

It is believed that no further fees are due with this Response to Restriction Requirement. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment with respect to this patent application to deposit account number 13-2725.

It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should any additional issues need to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned to attempt to resolve those issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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